

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 570

By Coley

A RESOLUTION to recognize Barbara Polk on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Polk is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for forty-five years of dedicated service to Bartlett High School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Polk will be taking a much deserved retirement on May 25, 2007; and

WHEREAS, a 1950 graduate of Nicholas Blackwell High School, Ms. Polk began her career as a substitute teacher until she became Bartlett High's bookkeeper in 1962; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Barbara Polk has been recognized several times for her service to Bartlett High School and Shelby County; she was given the Department of Instruction's Distinguished Service Award in 1982, and was honored by the Shelby County Special Olympics on their annual Track and Field Day on April 20, 2007; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Bartlett High designated February 14, 1984, as "Barbara Polk Day," Mayor McDonald named February 14, 2005, as "Barbara Polk Day," while on the same day she was recognized as the Bartlett High School Sweetheart; she has garnered the appreciation of several booster clubs and organizations over the years, a fitting recognition of her devotion to the school; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Polk exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Barbara Polk has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED
FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE
CONCURRING, that we extend to Barbara Polk our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling
retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared
for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.